

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

In a splitterless xDSL communications services set-up providing data and voice services to co-connected equipment, data signals may cause audible interference in  
5 POTS handsets. The degree of the interference varies widely due to a wide variation of customer tolerance and of susceptibility of the handsets. Reducing data channel transmission power during an off-hook event may reduce interference. A method and system are provided for user  
10 adjusted cutback. While making a POTS call, data channel power may be adjusted until acceptable performance is obtained. The customer selected power cutback influences both ATU-R and ATU-C transmit levels.